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ANOTHER SHIP LEAVES HK WITH AEROPLANE ENGINES

NEW ROUTE FOR CHINA REFUGEES

Oakland, March 19.—Transocean Airlines are sending a four-engined plane to Hong Kong to chart a new route for refugee Nationalist Chinese to havens in countries contiguous to the United States.

The Sales Vice-President, Douglas Johnson, said the move is necessary because United States immigration officials at Honolulu, first port of entry to the United States, had refused to honour further transit visas across the United States to such refugees. He added that the refusal came after more than 1,000 Chinese bearing Nationalist visas, British travel affidavits and transit visas had been carried by this route to Canada, Mexico, Cuba and the Bahamas.

The reported action came about a week after the Immigration service in Miami, Florida, had announced the arrest of private citizens and charged them with a new conspiracy had been uncovered to smuggle Chinese from Cuba into the United States.

In Washington, however, the Immigration and State Departments do not know about any such ruling as reported by Mr. Johnson, or the last issuance of transit visas across the United States for Chinese refugees.

Mr. Johnson said the new route pilot plane will pick up 55 Nationalist Chinese in Hong Kong with visas from their government, British travel affidavits and transit visas across affected countries and fly them to Central America via Europe and the South Atlantic. The route will be 4,000 miles further than that across the United States.—Associated Press.

DEVALUATION IN INDONESIA

Jakarta, March 19.—The Indonesian Government announced tonight that the Indonesian currency in internal circulation has been devalued by 50 per cent as from noon GMT today.

The announcement said that all money in circulation as well as in banks throughout the country will lose its nominal value as from noon, decreasing in value by 50 per cent.

At present three types of currency are circulating in Indonesia—the pre-war and post-war Netherlands East Indies guilders and Republic rupiahs.

Reports yesterday predicting the devaluation said it is intended to defeat money black marketeers.

Last week the Government instituted a new foreign exchange system, with changed import and export regulations, to stimulate exports and combat smuggling.

Only currency notes of two guilders 50 cents and less and coins of 2-1/2 and one cent retain their full face value under the new Ordinance, which was broadcast over all Indonesian wavelengths.

The left-hand half of each note becomes legal tender up to 50 per cent of its value while the right-hand half will serve as an application voucher for obtaining funds in a three per cent Government loan.

The right-hand portion also loses half its face value.—Reuters.

The Weather

At 0800 GMT (5 p.m. HKST) from a small depression situated about 150 miles S. of N. Korea a cold front extends S.W. across N. Formosa and thence into China. From a second depression over the sea of Japan a cold front extends S.W. to the Yangtze. Both these fronts are moving Southward. Pressure is high over the continent.

Today's Forecast—No wind at first becoming moderate S.E. by the afternoon. Clear with sea fog in the approaches slowly clearing. Clouds and light rain spreading from the N. later in the day.

Yesterday's Weather—Mainly clear. Min. 64.1 deg. F. Max. 84.4 deg. F. Rainfall: 0.1 in. Total: 0.1 in. Sea: 1-2 ft. swell. Wind: 1-2 knots. Direction: S.W. by N. NW. Time: 10.00 p.m.

British vessel sails for North Korea NATIONALISTS' VAIN HUNT FOR SS. EMPIRE DIRK

With the Chinese Nationalists still hunting vainly for the British ship Empire Dirk, which left Hong Kong three days ago with more than U.S.\$3,000,000 worth of spare plane parts and engines in an attempt to run the blockade, another British ship left the Colony yesterday on an identical mission.

She is the Tsinan, of Butterfield and Swire, which left Hong Kong with more than U.S.\$1,000,000 worth of CATC and CNAC spare parts and engines for Inchon, in Korea.

According to Associated Press from Taipei, Nationalist warships and planes, despite intensified efforts, have still failed to find any trace of the Empire Dirk.

Meanwhile a British-registered ship—the Tai Chung Shan—arrived in Hong Kong yesterday after a six-week blockade-running trip which took in Tientsin, Tsingtao and Swatow.

Nationalist planes raided Tsingtao twice while the Tai Chung Shan was in port, but the ship was not hit.

Officers of the ship yesterday complained that the Communist occupation troops disappear during air raids, offering the ships in harbour little protection.

The Captain said that the Communist harbour pilots will not guide the blockade runners into the harbour until nearly twilight, for fear of Nationalist air attacks.

Another Tientsin ship, the ss. Flying Cloud, is due to leave Hong Kong tomorrow for Tsingtao with a reported 8,000 tons of cargo.

A sister ship of the Flying Cloud was damaged in Tsingtao three weeks ago. However, the Tientsin Line intends to continue trading with the North China port.

South China run

Trade with South China ports is becoming safer and more popular, a British officer said yesterday. He pointed out that the Communists are now paying only HK\$80 a ton for cargo to Hong Kong, compared with HK\$140 a ton, which they were paying three weeks ago.

The officer explained that the increased number of ships arriving and departing from Swatow in safety was the main reason for the reduction.

Since the beginning of this year, blockade running of Chinese goods and other sources pictures North China ports in their itinerary.

Local shipping organisations now engaged in this activity include the China Navigation Company, the Ivaran Lines, the Pacific Transport Lines, the Indo-China S. N. Company, and the Tientsin Line.

The China Navigation Company has the ss. Poyang leaving port today for Tientsin and Tsingtao; the ss. Hupeh for Tientsin on March 23 and the ss. Hunan arriving from the North on March 23.

The Pacific Transport Lines operate the China Transport

Pacific Transport and Philippine Transport on this run. The China Transport is clearing port for Tientsin and Tsingtao today. The others are due to sail for Red China next month.

The Indo-China S. N. Company has on schedule the following: ss. Chunsang leaving for Tientsin tomorrow; ss. Choyang due here on March 25 from North China and leaving on March 29.

The mv. Lishoh of the Ivaran Lines left last evening for Taku and Tsingtao. The mv. Igadi of the same organisation is expected to call at both ports on April 8.

Gordon delayed

Officials of the American President Lines yesterday postponed the ss. General Gordon's mercy mission to Shanghai until noon today.

The postponement was made necessary because the LST craft, which will take evacuees down the Whangpoo, and which are en route from Japan, will not reach their rendezvous point off the Yangtze river until early on March 23.

Most of the 103 passengers who are leaving Hong Kong for Shanghai are living on the ship. They are leaving for Shanghai with no illusions. The businessmen know the Communist-dominated city has offered little to foreigners since its occupation last spring.

However, though little has been promised, some are hoping for much—for an end to the Nationalist blockade, for a more lenient Communist attitude to business profits—but they will not be surprised at anything.

One British businessman said on board ship yesterday that it is his cost his company hundreds of thousands of dollars to maintain their office in Shanghai since the occupation.

Main hope

But he added: "Given an end to the Nationalist blockade, there is absolutely no reason why Shanghai cannot be a mutually beneficial trading city for both governments."

He described Shanghai as the mouth of a famine-stricken China, and foreign business as its main hope for revival. "Whether the Com-

munist see it that way is another question," he added.

The passengers on board the Gordon are not festive group—wives with children are joining their husbands; businessmen are joining their firms in Shanghai to relieve colleagues who have been there since the occupation; some diplomats are taking up posts in preparation for active diplomatic relations with the Peking Government—but there are no tourists, no joyriders.

British businessmen, with huge investments in Shanghai, are holding on because of necessity, but American businessmen, with relatively small investments, are clearing out—flatly leaving Shanghai.

The APL office reports that they have not had one application from an American to enter the city—more than 400 are leaving.

SHIP AGROUND IN LEYTE GULF

Manila, March 20.—The Greek steamship, Kehrea, which ran aground on a reef in the Gulf of Leyte this morning, will be lifted off the reef tonight if the high tides come in as expected.

The agents, the American Steamship Agencies Incorporated, said that the master of the American-built ship, reported that her keel is lying on the rocky bottom. The reef was identified as a "Margaritadita" Light Island, about 30 miles South of Tacloban.

The owners said that the 7,000-ton ship was en route with empty holds from Cebu to Tacloban, where it is to pick up island produce. The Kehrea, now captained by Greek interests, entered the Philippine area from the United States' Pacific Coast. She is due to leave for South America after leaving the Archipelago.

There are no passengers. A surveyor will be flown to Margaritadita, if the Kehrea fails to float tonight.—Associated Press.

FIRE IN SHIP

A small fire broke out in a coal bunker of the Blue Funnel steamer Meschon, lying alongside Hilly's Wharf, at about 10 p.m. yesterday. The fire was extinguished in a few minutes by the crew.

fertiliser are to be distributed to farms this year, at Government expense, in an attempt to raise the food production of the agricultural area. However, if there is a surplus, it is likely that it will be promptly shipped to Russia.

The products of North Korean forests and mines are being shipped to Russia, and more than 70 per cent of the large power production of the Yalu River Valley is going to Manchuria and Communist-controlled Dalen.

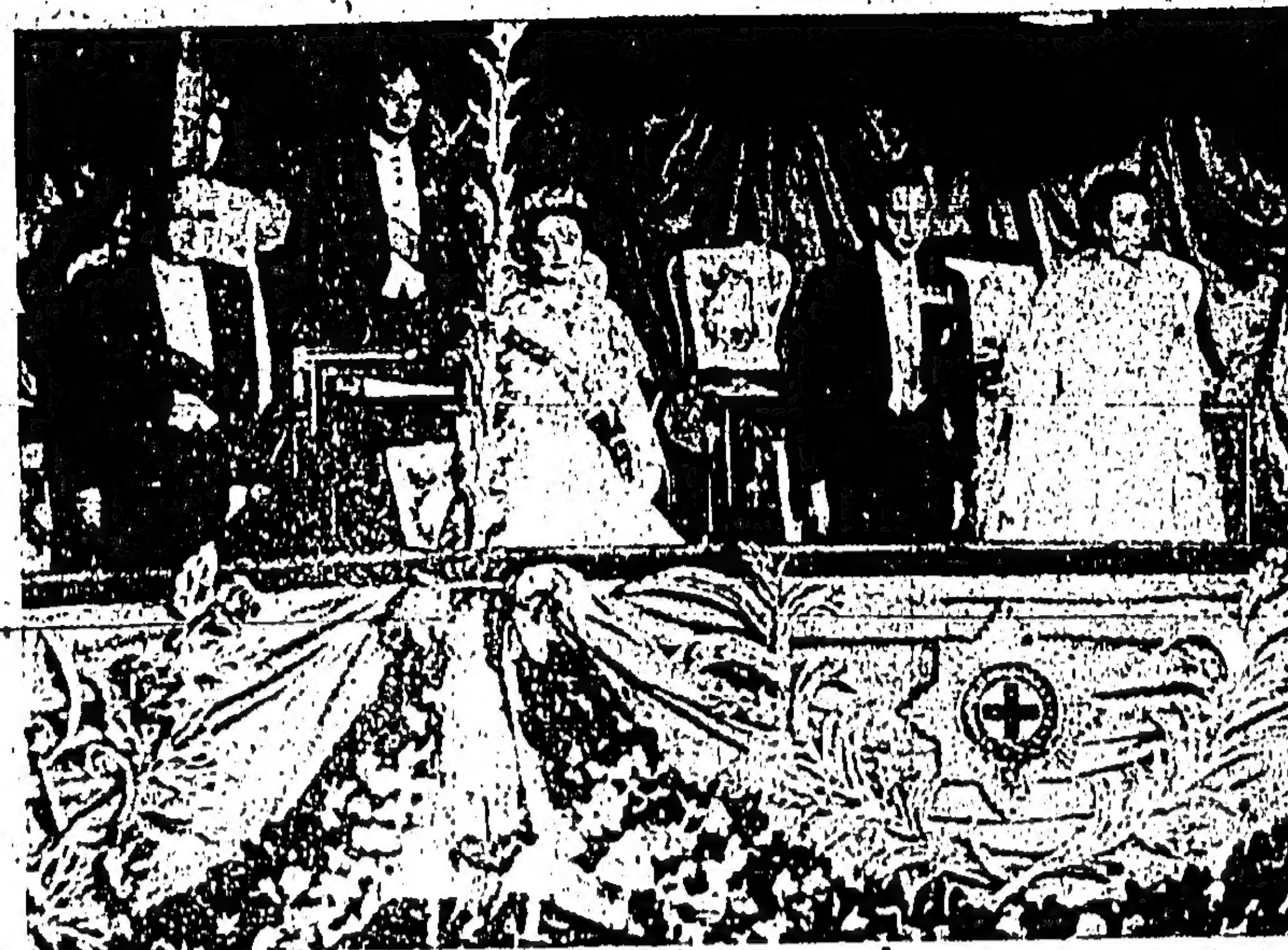
The consensus of information officers is that Russia is opening Korea, through Communist Korea, as an efficiently run colony, providing the Koreans with a minimum of agricultural and industrial necessities, and a maximum of propaganda and police control.

If this information is correct, the Communist are taking out of North Korea almost all which the United States is putting into the country, the 250,000 tons of

large, powerful, forest products of their business.

Railways, Pyongyang announced, as the country's main artery, had country, the 250,000 tons of

National rulers at ballet



Pictured in the Royal Box at London's Covent Garden Opera House before a gala performance in honour of visiting French President Vincent Auriol by the Sadlers Wells Ballet are (left to right) President Auriol, the Duke of Gloucester, Queen Elizabeth, King George and Madame Auriol.—(AP Photo).

NATIONALIST LANDING ON NAMOA REPULSED

A Nationalist force assigned to retake Namoa Island, less than 10 miles East of Swatow, was badly beaten on March 13, according to the Swatow correspondent of the independent vernacular "Wah Kiu Yat Po" yesterday.

The force, coming from Tungshan Island, about 20 miles North East of Namoa Island, landed on Namoa about 10 a.m. on March 13 with the aid of two warships and two bombers escorted by four fighter planes.

The Communists were caught by surprise. As a result the force landed without incident. However, it failed to make progress from the beach-heads as a result of intense counter-fire from the Communist forces.

Despite cover from the warships and aircraft, the Nationalist landing force was forced to withdraw in disorder. A number of their landing craft—motor junks and sailing junks—were destroyed. Communist shells tore two holes in one of the warships and one hole in the other. Ten civilians of Namoa Island were killed when Nationalist shells hit their houses.

Casualties suffered by the Communists and the Nationalists were not mentioned.

Meanwhile, Associated Press reports from Taipei it has now become clear that the Nationalist seizure of the mainland town at Sungmen, just a little less than 200 miles South of Shanghai, was a local operation of the Communist-type.

Its capture did not represent the establishment of an invasion beach head.

In fact, the chances are that Sungmen might be abandoned at any time the Reds are able to imperil the safe withdrawal of forces which took the town.

Major effects

Nevertheless, foreign and Chinese quarters in Taipei are convinced that the operation will have far-reaching effects.

It has, for example, demonstrated the vulnerability of the mainland coast to a landing.

It has shown the Nationalist flag to the mainland. Chiang Kai-shek's promises of a speedy recovery might not be just a fanciful dream.

It has given encouragement to Nationalist troops in Taiwan, most of whom yearn to be back on the mainland.

Nationalist authorities doubtless had these things in mind when they planned the operation, which among other things, is expected to put fresh pep into the entire guerrilla forces on the mainland.

Naval headquarters at Kaohsiung, in South Western Taiwan, said that the city's capture will be preceded by severe fighting. The landing force, it said, belonged to the First Training Corps of the Chekiang Provincial Government, which has received training on the Chusan Islands.

Help for guerrillas

Hangchow, normally the capital of Chekiang, has long been in the hands of the Reds, who, apart from pockets held by the Nationalists, control the province.

One of the missions of the landing force was believed to be the delivering of supplies to guerrillas in the province. Another was to take prisoners.

The landing of a small scale force might have been an important step in the convictions of Chiang Kai-shek's supporters, who believe that the Nationalists are capable of effective invasion of the

Nationalist guerillas in Kwangtung

A force of more than 200 Nationalist guerrillas attempted to seize a big market town, about 15 miles East of Kung-kong (Shukwan) in Northern Kwangtung.

This was announced yesterday by the Communist authorities in Canton, according to the "Ging Tao Man Po".

It was added that the guerrillas were beaten back with casualties, including four killed. The force was under the command of one Au Chi-keung.

The attempt, said the official announcement, took place on March 11.

mainland, if they have enough material.

It has also served to fortify confidence in the Nationalists' ability to hold Taiwan barring one thing—large-scale active Soviet aid for the Chinese Reds.

For some weeks now, posters have appeared in Taiwan depicting a Nationalist soldier stepping on the mainland from this island.

United Press says the Saturday's announcement set the time of the landing as "dawn, March 18". Official quarters in Taipei yesterday corrected the date of the landing to last Wednesday but virtually no further information can be obtained.

Only a raid

The naval statement described the attack as a raid and there is no indication that the troops are attempting to establish a beach head for an all-out invasion of Red-held territory.

Army, Navy and Air Force headquarters in Taipei have no further information about the Sungmen operation. The naval headquarters at Keelung, reached by telephone, said no word had been received from the attackers since the landing but that so far as was known the landing force units are still at Sungmen.

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CALL FOR ANGLO-U.S. AID PLAN

London, March 19.—The Independent London Sunday newspaper, the "Observer", today called for joint United States and British Commonwealth economic aid to Asia to combat Communism.

Applauding the recent statement on American Far Eastern policy by the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, the "Observer" wrote: "The peoples of Asia must be helped also to raise their standards of living, and in the struggle against poverty and malnutrition and endemic disease they must feel that the Western powers are ready to give them all available support."

"So far, the chief economic aid to Asia has come through Britain's release of sterling balances to India and Pakistan. These 'unrequited exports' have been a serious drain on Britain's resources."

"One way to give Asia effective economic aid is for America to join the British Commonwealth in a long-term plan, with assurances on which Mr. Acheson rightly insists—that the aid will be wisely spent by the recipient countries, and with opportunities for Britain and Western Europe to earn food and dollars by sending industrial goods to these needy areas."

"Hitherto, one grave obstacle to any such plan has been the bitter conflict between India and Pakistan over Kashmir. Last week the two countries agreed, in principle, to the United Nations' proposal to appoint a Mediator. They agreed heartily, and their agreement is only one small step towards a settlement, but it should be welcomed as a step in the right direction, and America and Britain should give this United Nations move their full public backing."—Reuters.

STUDENTS RIOT IN SAIGON

Paris, March 19.—About 4,000 Vietnamese students supporting the Vietminh (Communist-led insurgents) today set fire to street stalls and motor cars in the Central market place in Saigon in protest against American aid for French-supported Vietnam, the French news agency reported.

The students first tried to march to the quayside, where American destroyers are moored. Finding the dock entrance and surrounding roads blocked by police, they returned to demonstrate in the market place.

Vietnamese police, armed only with rubber truncheons, asked French troops to stand by but military intervention was not needed, the report said.—Reuters.

TAIPEH DENIAL

Taipei, March 19.—The authorities today branded as completely false a Hong Kong report that they had suspended licences on imports from the Colony.

First of all, the authorities said, no such licences ever were required, and no change in this policy is contemplated.—Associated Press.

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The following traffic arrangements have been made for the Military Parade at Merchant Navy Ground, Kowloon, on March 21, and March 22, 1950.

TRAFFIC STOPPAGE

1. Chatham Road between Middle Road and Gascoigne Road will be closed to vehicular traffic between the hours of 11.40 hours and 12.15 hours both days.

2. Reserved Parking

A. Chatham Road south of Austin Road on the west side.

B. These areas will be reserved between 10.00 hours and 12.15 hours. Overnight parkers to note.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

March 17, 1950.

POLICE NOTICE

It is hereby notified for general information that at about 11.05 hours on Wednesday 15th March, 1950, a European Male was knocked down and fatally injured by a tramcar in Des Voeux Road, Central, near the H.K. and Shanghai Bank Building.

Any witness of the occurrence or any person who can give useful information is asked to communicate with Traffic Office, Hong Kong Telephone No. 39346 or any Police Station.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

March 18, 1950.

POLICE NOTICE

It is hereby notified for general information that at about 13.00 hours on Wednesday, March 15, 1950, a young girl was fatally injured by a motor bus in Queen's Road, Central, near to Li Yuen Street, East.

The accident is believed to have been witnessed by the Driver of a Taxi or public car proceeding along Queen's Rd. in the direction of Kennedy Town.

Will any person who witnessed the accident or can give any information concerning the accident, please communicate with the Traffic Office, Hong Kong, Telephone No. 39346 or to the nearest Police Station.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

March 16, 1950.

NOTICE

INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT
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Persons who wish to elect to be assessed to tax for the assessment year 1948/49 on their total incomes in accordance with the provisions of Chapter VII of the Inland Revenue Ordinance, 1947, ("Personal Assessment") should note that all applications must be made not later than 31st March, 1950.

Applications made after that date will be invalid and cannot be considered.

ERIC W. PUDNEY
Commissioner of Inland Revenue.

March 18, 1950.

HONG KONG STAGE CLUB

There will be a casting meeting for a radio play in the P.R.O. Theatre at 8.30 p.m. on Monday, 20th March. All members and those interested are invited to attend.

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* The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, 6th March, 1950, to MONDAY, 20th March, 1950, both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

B. C. FIELD, Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 24, 1950.

NOTICE

CHINA EMPORIUM, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Dividend of 80 cents and bonus of 20 cents amounting to \$1.00 per share free of tax as decided upon by the Shareholders' Annual Meeting is payable on the Company's share for the year ended December 31, 1949. Shareholders are requested to collect Dividends at our Registered Office, 2nd Floor, China Emporium Building, Queen's Road, Central, on and after March 20, 1950 (Monday) daily from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Sundays & Public holidays excepted.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

CHINA EMPORIUM, LTD.

Hong Kong, March 19, 1950.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF CHONG QUIN LEM, otherwise CHONG QUINLEM formerly of Thursday, Island but late of Marine Parade Redcliffe near Brisbane in the State of Queensland, Australia, General Storekeeper, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897 made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above Estate to the 7th day of April, 1950.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send in their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 13th day of March, 1950.

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NOTICE

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT AND LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sixteenth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Friday, the 31st day of March 1950 at 12 o'clock noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1949, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that the Register and transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd to the 31st day of March 1950 both days inclusive.

GEORGE Y. K. SUN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 18, 1950.

NOTICE

A.A. GUN PRACTICE

The Military authorities announce that Anti-Aircraft guns from TATES CAIRN gun site will be firing on Tuesday 21 March 1950 between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Shells will be fired set at, safe and will fall without exploding into the sea South West of Stonecutters Island and in the TOLO CHANNEL.

Arrangements have been made for the patrol of the areas affected in order to ensure that vessels, ships, aircraft and persons are not exposed to danger.

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TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, China Buildings, 5th floor, Hong Kong, on Monday, the 3rd April, 1950, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1949, and of elect Directors and appoint Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th March, 1950 to 3rd April, 1950, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

A General Meeting of the Society will be held on the 24th March, in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel at 5.30 p.m.

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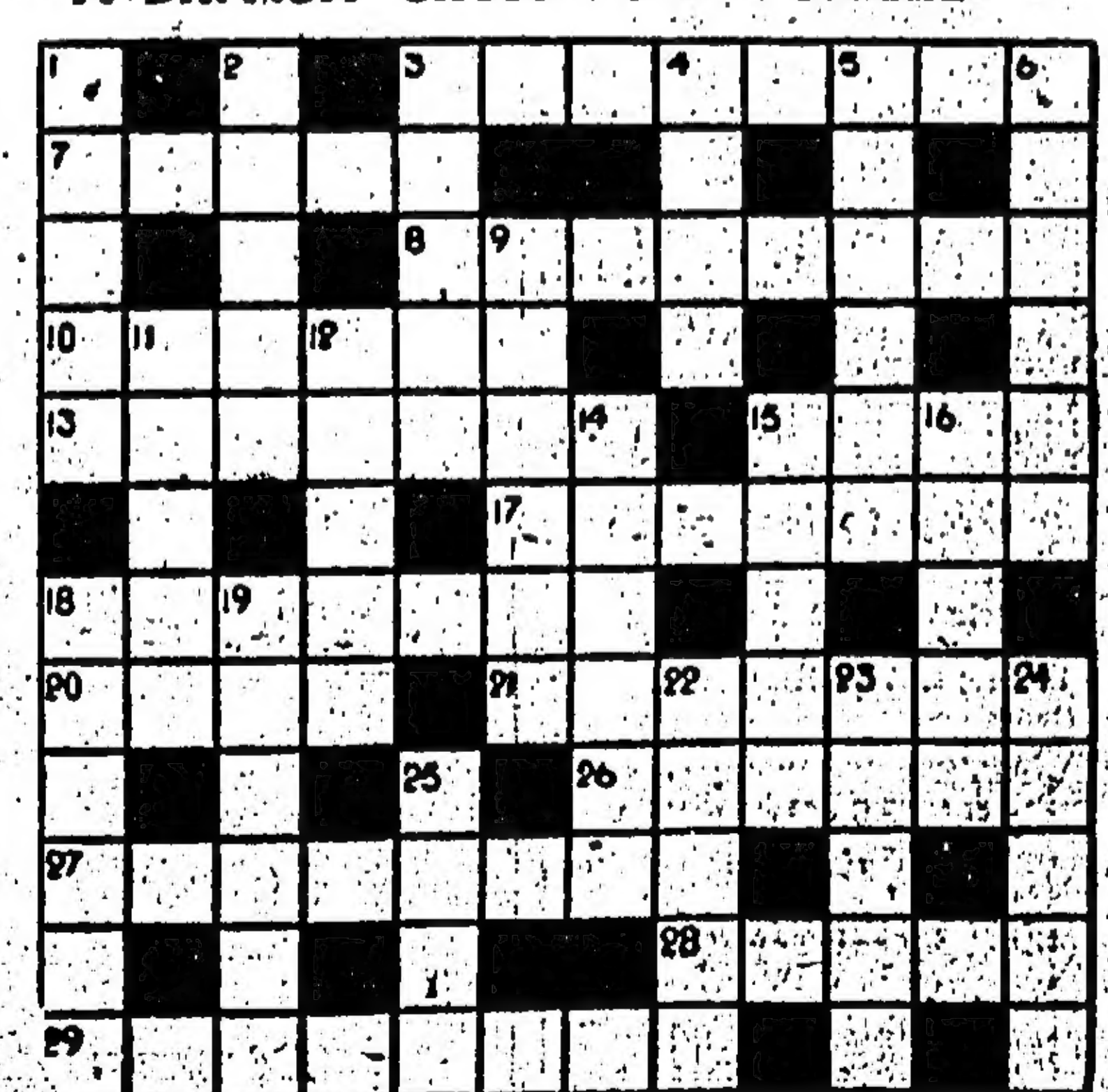
A PHANTOM SINGLETON YOU CAN get into spots so unfortunate that your sole hope to gain a good result is by fooling the opponents into helping you. At such a time, you may find it advisable to play some combination of cards in a way entirely different from what usually is natural, for the purpose of creating an illusion. You may make an opponent feel so sure of a singleton held in your hand that in effect you have a phantom singleton.

S 10 5 3
H A K 10 8 6
D 10 5 4
C 7 4
S A 7 4 2
H 9 5 4 3
D K J 8 3
C 3
S K Q 8 8
H Q J
D 5 2
C A Q J 8 6
(Dealer: West. Both sides vulnerable.)
West North East South
Pass Pass Pass 1 C
Pass 1 H Pass 1 S
Pass 2 H
A play made by J. G. Ripstra, of Wichita, Kansas, on this deal in the national individual masters' championship of six years ago was recalled by several of the players the other day as an example of ingenuity in an emergency. East for some reason decided to lead the heart 3. Mr. Ripstra saw that a second heart lead removing dummy's second

trump could cause him to lose three tricks in diamonds; these plus one sure loser in spades and possibly one in clubs could hold him to exactly contract, and he also might lose a second trick in spades to be set.
Then he thought of a bold coup. After winning the opener with the heart Q, he led the club Q. When West won that with the K, he was sure North had a blank now and East a club remaining. So West, returned his sole remaining heart. North won with the A and cleared trumps with the K and 10. Then he led the club 7 to the A and J, discarding on the latter his diamond 4. He could now lose only two diamonds and one trick in spades, as the cards lay, made an extra trick, giving him a fine score on the deal in comparison with others in the tournament.

Tomorrow's Problem
S 4 3
H A Q 5 4 3
D J 4
C K 5 4
S Q 10 6
H 10 7 2
D Q 10 7 3
C J 3 2
S A J 2
H K 6
D A K 5 2
C Q 10 6
(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)
How should North plan to make 5-Hearts if East leads the diamond 9?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
3 One who goes abroad.
7 Musical work.
8 Speak incoherently.
10 Harvest.
13 Imposed upon.
18 Tune.
17 Tumult.
18 Spills.
20 Genuine.
21 Arbitrator.
24 Uncommonness.
27 Rustics.
28 Feature.
29 Takes away.
Down
1 Amass.
3 Relieved.
4 Morose.
6 Carb.
9 Menace.
11 Unanimity.
12 Scholar.
14 Wilderness.
15 Fossil.
16 Crook.
18 Clothed.
19 Stupid.
22 Goes without food.
23 Compete with.
24 Idiot.
25 Festivity.
Saturday's Crossword
Across—1 Secure, 3 Trick, 4 Inure, 5 Spring, 10 Edict, 11 Death, 12 Acid, 13 Lute, 16 Medicine, 17 Grad, 20 Sweet, 22 Keep, 23 Valid, 25 Ruled, 26 Solenn, 27 Romeo, 28 Cheer, 29 Smells.
Down—1 Sustains, 2 Carriage, 3 Ring, 4 Entered, 5 Thrills, 6 Hothead, 7 Craft, 14 Foretell, 15 Sycamore, 16 Malador, 17 Devote, 18 Bawdy, 19 Wraith, 24 Daboo.

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DEFENCE IN THE WEST

In replying to the debate in the House of Commons on the Defence White Paper, the British Prime Minister declined to deal in detail with the question of the re-arming of Germany, raised by Mr. Churchill. He said Britain is acting with her Western Allies, with the United States and with France, and policy had been laid down in this matter perfectly clearly. This policy opposes any kind of German re-arming, and there is no likelihood of any change in the foreseeable future. The German Federal Government is itself a signatory to the Protocol binding it to oppose all forms of remilitarisation.

Arguments which have been advanced in various quarters in favour of re-arming Germany fall into two groups. First, those which suggest the re-establishment of German armed forces on a national basis for Western Germany. Secondly, those which favour a German contingent in some International force. The Government holds that apart from general questions of principle, and its obligations under the Potsdam and other agreements, there are convincing counter-arguments against either suggestion.

A small German force would make little difference to the balance of power, while having the disadvantage of uniting all shades of opinion in the Soviet Union and the satellite States—especially Poland and Czechoslovakia—through their common fear of German resurgence. If, however, the German forces were large enough to make a really significant contribution, they would also be of such size as to give Germany a predominant position in the Western Union. A large German Army would place Germany in a strong bargaining position as between East and West, and the possibility of a bargain being struck with the Soviet Government must never be excluded.

There is the further danger to be reckoned with, that the German Federal Government, which is at present young and inexperienced, might be too heavily influenced by an organised body of military opinion, which a re-created German High Command would represent. In the main, all arguments against the establishment of a German National Army apply in the long run to any German contingent in any International force, since it is hard to believe that such a German contingent would not lead very soon to the establishment of a National Army.

Mr. Churchill himself did not say plainly whether he contemplated restoring German armed forces, or only the participation of German industry in preparing defensive armament. But as "The Times" pointed out, the distinction is illusory in principle and could not be maintained in practice. The only solution of the dilemma is to make the Western Union such a reality that Germany can be received into it as a member-State whose manpower and natural wealth will be a welcome reinforcement of strength, but which yet will not be of such predominant weight that it overthrows the balance of the whole. The one Power whose co-operation and leadership are indispensable to make the Western Union stable enough



These impressions were shared by our Joint Intelligence Committee. On April 7 they stated that there were a number of reports circulating in Europe of a German plan to attack Russia. Although Germany, they said, had considerable forces available in the East, and expected to fight Russia some time or another, it was unlikely that she would choose to make another major war front yet. Her main object in 1941 would according to them remain the defeat of the United Kingdom.

As late as May 23 this committee from the three Services reported that rumours of impending attack on Russia had died down, and that there were reports that a new agreement between the two countries was impending. This they considered likely, since German economy would require strengthening to meet the needs of a long war. The necessary assistance could be obtained by Germany from Russia either by force or agreement. They thought the latter would be the German choice, although a threat of force would help to bring it about. This threat was now building up. There was plenty of evidence of the construction of roads and railways and sidings in German Poland, of the preparation of aerodromes and of large-scale troops concentrations, including troops and air units from the Balkans.

Our Chiefs of Staff were ahead of their advisers; and more definite "We have firm indications," they warned the Middle East Command on May 31, "that the Germans are now concentrating large army and air forces against Russia. Under this threat they will probably demand concessions most injurious to us. If the Russians refuse, the Germans will march." It was not till June 2 that the Joint Intelligence Committee reported that the scale of German military preparations in Eastern Europe seemed to indicate that an issue more vital than an economic agreement was at stake. Finally on June 12 they reported: "Fresh evidence is now at hand that Hitler has made up his mind to have done with Soviet obstruction and to attack."

Collection of tit-bits

I had not been content with this form of collective wisdom, and preferred to see the originals myself. I had arranged, therefore, as far back as the summer of 1940, for Major Desmond Morton to make a daily selection of tit-bits, which I always read, thus forming my own opinion, sometimes at much earlier dates. It was thus with relief and excitement that towards the end of March, 1941, I read an Intelligence report from one of our most trusted sources of the movement and counter-movement of German armour on the railway from Bucharest to Cracow. This showed that as soon as Prince Paul (of Yugoslavia) had made his submission in Vienna to Hitler on March 20 three out of the five Panzer divisions which had moved through Rumania South-Eastward towards Greece and Yugoslavia had been sent Northward to Cracow, and secondly that the whole of this transportation had been reversed after the Belgrade revolution and the three Panzer divisions sent back to Rumania. This shuffling and reversal of about 60 trains could not be concealed from our agents on the spot.

To me it illuminated the whole Eastern scene like a lightning-flash. The sudden movement to Cracow of so much armour needed in the Balkan sphere could only mean Hitler's intention to invade Russia in May. This seemed to me henceforward certainly his major purpose. The fact that the Belgrade revolution had required their return to Rumania involved perhaps of delay from May to June. I sent the momentous news at once to Mr. Eden in Athens.

I also cast about for some means of warning Stalin, and by arousing him to his danger, establishing contacts with him like

to contain Germany as a member is the United Kingdom. Meanwhile much has been done in the organisation of Western Union defence. A common strategic plan has been agreed on, including an integrated plan of air defence based on the use of radar. Mutual aid has been provided in production of arms and equipment, and the nucleus of a Joint Command has been created. Measures have been adopted, too, for the standardisation of arms and training. In all these things the United Kingdom has played a leading part. More remains to be done, and not least the building up of Britain's own forces for common defence.

WINSTON CHURCHILL'S WAR MEMOIRS: THE THIRD BOOK

THE GRAND ALLIANCE

The invasion of Russia

By Winston Churchill

those I had made with President Roosevelt. I made the message short and cryptic, hoping that this very fact, and that it was the first message I had sent him since my formal telegram of June 25, 1940, commending Sir Stafford Cripps as Ambassador, would arrest his intention and make him ponder.

Private Minister to Sir Stafford Cripps.

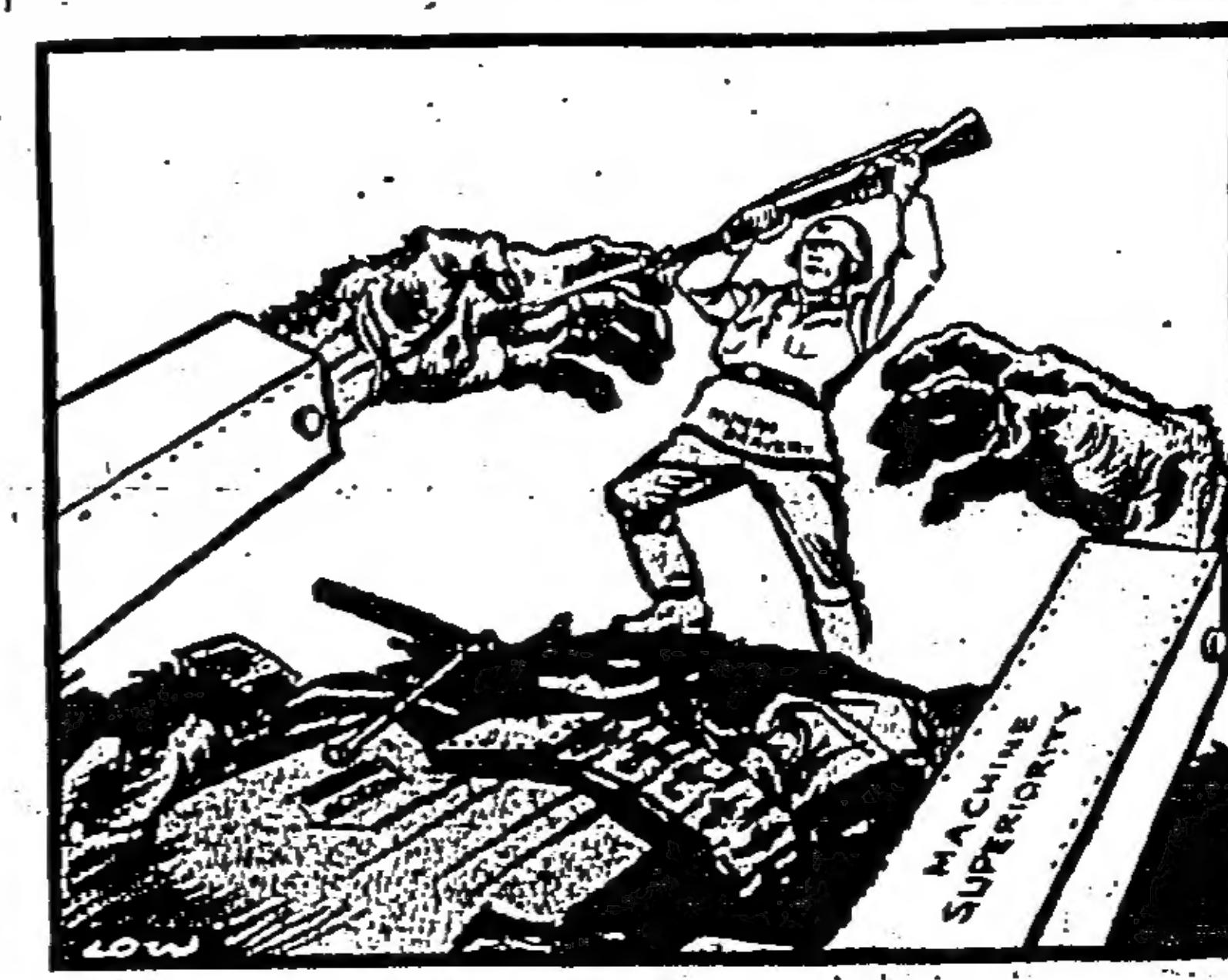
Following from me to M. Stalin, provided it can be personally delivered by you:

I have sure information from a trusted agent that when the Germans thought they had got Yugoslavia in the net—that is to say, after March 20—they began to move three out of the five Panzer divisions from Rumania to Southern Poland. The movement they heard of the Serbian revolution this movement was countermanded. Your Excellency will readily appreciate the significance of these facts.

Vain warning

Though Sir Stafford Cripps did not succeed in seeing Stalin himself, Mr. Churchill's vain warning was conveyed through Mr. Vyshinsky, who stated in writing on April 23 that Stalin had received it.

We knew now that Hitler's directive of December 18 had prescribed May 15 as the date for invading Russia, and that in his fury at the revolution in Bel-



grade this date had on March 27 been postponed for a month, and later till June 22.

Until the middle of March the troop movements in the North on the main Russian front were not of a character to require special German measures of concealment. On March 13 however orders were issued by Berlin to terminate the work of the Russian commissions working in German territory and to send them home.

The presence of Russians in this part of Germany could only be permitted up to March 25. In the Northern sector strong German formations were already being assembled. From March 20 onwards an even heavier massing would take place.

On March 20 the German Ambassador in Moscow, [Name], hopefully reported that Stalin had taken over the chairmanship of the Council of Peoples' Commissars in place of Molotov, and had thereby become head of the Government of the Soviet Union.

"The reason for this may be sought in the recent mistakes in foreign policy which led to a cooling off of the cordiality of German-Soviet relations, for the creation and preservation of which Stalin has conscientiously striven. In his new capacity Stalin assumes responsibility for all acts of the Government, in both the domestic and foreign fields. I am convinced that Stalin will use his new position in order to take part personally in the maintenance and development of good relations between the Soviets and Germany."

The German Naval Attaché, reporting from Moscow, expressed the same point in these words: "Stalin is the pivot of German-Soviet collaboration. Examples of Russian appeasement of Germany increased. On May 3, Russia had officially recognised the pro-German Government of Rashid Ali in Iraq. On May 7 the diplomatic representatives of Belgium and Norway were expelled from Russia. Even the Yugoslav Minister was flung out. At the beginning of June the Greek Legation was banished from Moscow."

An General Thomas, the head of the economic section of the German War Ministry, later wrote in his paper on the war economy of the Reich: "The Russians executed their deliveries up to the eve of the attack, and in the last days the transport of the goods to the East was expedited by express trains."

Full information

We had not of course full information about the Moscow mood, but the German purpose seemed plain and comprehensible. On May 15 I cabled to General Smuts:

It looks as if Hitler is making a dash for Russia. A ceaseless movement of troops, armoured forces, and aircraft Northwards from the Balkans

and Eastwards from France and Germany is in progress. I should myself suppose his best chance was to attack the Ukraine and Caucasus, thus making sure of corn and oil. Nobody can stop him doing this, but we hope to blast the Fatherland behind him pretty thoroughly as the year marches on. I am sure that with God's help we shall beat the life out of the Nazi regime.

Stalin must have tried very hard to preserve his illusions about Hitler's policy. After another month of intense German troop movement and deployment Schulenburg could telegraph to the German Foreign Office on June 21:

People's Commissar Molotov has just given me the following text of a Tass despatch which will be broadcast tonight and published in the papers tomorrow:

Before the return of the English Ambassador Cripps to London, there have been widespread rumours of an impending war between the USSR and Germany in the English and foreign Press. These allegations:

1. That Germany supposedly has made various territorial

and economic demands on the USSR and negotiations are impending between Germany and the USSR for a new and closer agreement.

2. That the Soviet Union is supposed to have declined these demands, and that as a result Germany has begun to concentrate her troops on the frontier of the Soviet Union in order to attack the Soviet Union.

3. That on its side the Soviet Union is supposed to have begun intensive preparations for war with Germany and to have concentrated its troops on the German border.

Despite the obvious absurdity of these rumours, responsible circles in Moscow have thought it necessary to state that they are a clumsy propaganda manoeuvre of the forces arrayed against the Soviet Union and Germany, which are interested in a spread and intensification of the war.

Hitler had every right to be content with the success of his measures of deception, and with his victim's state of mind. Molotov's final fatality is worth recording.

Schulenburg to the German Foreign Office.

Moscow, June 22, 1941, 1.17 a.m.

Molotov summoned me to his office this evening at 9.30 p.m. After he had mentioned the alleged repeated border violations by German aircraft, with the remark that Berlin had been instructed to call on the Reich Foreign Minister in this matter, Molotov stated as follows:

There were a number of indications that the German Government was dissatisfied with the Soviet Government. Rumours were even current that a war was impending between Germany and the Soviet Union. They found sustenance in the fact that there was no reaction whatsoever on the part of Germany to the Tass report of June 15; that it was not even published in Germany. The Soviet Government was unable to understand the reasons for Germany's dissatisfaction. If the Yugoslav question had at the time given rise to such dissatisfaction, he—Molotov—believed that by means of his earlier communications he had cleared up this question, which moreover was a thing of the past. He would appreciate it if I could tell him what had brought about the present situation in German-Soviet Russian relations.

I replied that I could not answer his question, as I lacked the pertinent information that I would however transmit his communication to Berlin.

The hour strikes

But the hour had now struck. At 4 a.m. on June 22 Ribbentrop delivered a formal declaration of war to the Russian Ambassador

in Berlin: At daybreak Schulenburg presented himself at Molotov in the Kremlin. The latter listened in silence to the statement read by the German Ambassador, and then commented:

"It is war. Your aircraft have just bombed some 10 open villages. Do you believe that we deserved that?"

In the face of the Tass broadcast it had been vain for us to add to the various warnings which Eden had given to the Soviet Ambassador in London, or for me to make a renewed personal effort to arouse Stalin to his peril. Even more precise information had been constantly sent to the Soviet Government by the United States. Nothing but any of us could do pierced the purblind prejudice and fixed ideas which Stalin had raised between himself and the terrible truth.

Although on German estimates Russian divisions were massed behind the Soviet boundaries, of which the German front, the Russian armies to a large extent were taken by surprise. The Germans found no signs of offensive preparations in the forward zone, and the Russian troops were caught at daylight which had befallen the Polish Air Force on Sept. 1, 1939, was now to be repeated on a far larger scale on the Russian airfields, and many hundreds of Russian aircraft were caught at daylight and destroyed before they could get into the air. Thus the ravings of hatred against Britain and the United States which the Soviet propaganda machine cast upon the midnight air were overwhelmed at dawn by the German cannonade. The wicked are not always clever, nor are dictators always right.

Matter of hours

On the evening of Friday, June 20, I drove down to Chequers alone. I knew that the German onslaught upon Russia was a matter of days or it might be hours. I had arranged to deliver a broadcast on Saturday night dealing with the event. It would of course have to be in guarded terms. As the result of my reflections in the car I put off the broadcast till Sunday night, when I thought all would be clear. Thus Saturday passed with its usual toil.

Five days earlier, on the 15th, I had cabled to the President as follows:

From every source at my disposal, including some most trustworthy, it looks as if a vast German onslaught on Russia was imminent. Not only are the main German armies deployed from Finland to Rumania, but the final arrivals of air and armoured forces are being completed. The pocket battleship Lutzow, which put her nose out of the Skagerrak yesterday and was promptly torpedoed by our coastal aircraft, was very likely going North to give naval strength on the Arctic flank.

Should this new war break out we shall of course give all encouragement and any help we can spare to the Russians, following the principle that Hitler is the foe we have to beat. I do not expect any class political reaction here, and trust a German-Russian conflict will not cause you any embarrassment.

(To be continued)

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Local restaurant advertises food "cooked in the English style." Is this a threat or a promise?

The Empire Dirk seems to be one of these ships that will have a stab at anything.

NCO's at the military parade, said one report, "were seen to polish the boots of their subordinates so that everything could be ship-shaped."

The local reader would be more impressed if sub-editors could be seen polishing the stuff sent in by their own subordinates.

"Speaking as a Welsh-speaking woman, Mrs. Hayward said: not want afllwys'wch c d n, b."

She probably had her Welsh listeners rolling in the aisles.

A girl can always lure a man, says Myrtle, if she uses her come-on sense.

We treat our fellows handsomely. For, when you come to think, we lead a horse to water. But we drive a man to drink.

Correspondent says that when he dialled a telephone number all he could hear was music and sounds like the popping of corks. Must have got on to a party line.

In direct contrast to popular belief, our civil servants are really keen to get down to work. Why, only the other day two of them put down their cups of tea to sharpen their pencils.

Ensures lipstick in the latest. Ensures accurate osculation in cinemas.

According to a psychologist, it is possible to tell hen-pecked husband from the way he coughs.

Yes. He invariably coughs up.

Asked whether he played the piano, Myrtle's grandfather replied: "I don't know; I've never tried."



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CHOU REPLIES TO ACHESON

Peking regime and the UN

London, March 18. A Foreign Office spokesman said today that a report that the Peking Government had asked Britain to support its "right" to represent China on the United Nations' Security Council is incorrect.

"There is no official comment here on talks between the Communist Chinese Foreign Ministry and Britain's Charge d'Affaires in Peking, Mr. J. C. Hutchison.

"The Peking Government has publicly complained against the Powers—Britain included—which abstained from voting when the question of China's Security Council representation was raised at Lake Success.—Reuter.

SEIZURE OF ECA SUPPLIES

London, March 18. The Communist New China News Agency reported an announcement from Shanghai today that the city's military authorities have seized all American ECA supplies stored there and will use them for emergency relief.

The broadcast mentioned here said the Shanghai Military Control Committee issued an order taking over the supplies two days ago.

The Communist broadcast said, "The supplies which were designed to aid Chiang Kai-shek's brigands to wage the civil war will be used for emergency relief."

The Communist radio added, "It will be recalled that after the liberation of Shanghai the former head of the ECA branch in the city repeatedly announced his willingness to use the supplies for relief purposes."

"But this was only a pretext under which he attempted to set up special organisations for continued interference in China's internal affairs."

"Thus instead of handing the supplies over to the Chinese relief organisations to be used in real relief work, they were left to rot."

The broadcast said the Communist relief committee had talked over the problem of supplies with the former ECA head but he presented various terms with which would interfere with China's internal affairs, so the decision was made to seize the supplies.—United Press.

SINGAPORE CID APPEAL

Singapore, March 18. Singapore's CID appealed today to police throughout South East Asia to help find the terrorist owner of a wallet containing three pieces of human skin.

They described the man they want as a Chinese Communist bomb-thrower. Papers in the wallet link him with the recent attempt to throw a grenade into the office of the anti-Communist newspaper "Chung Shing Jit Pao."

The skin, they said, was wrapped in paper on which was written in Chinese, "White skin peeled off on the third occasion."

The wallet was snatched from the wanted man's pocket when, with two others, he attacked Koo Wei-koh, an employee of the newspaper after the grenade had failed to explode.—Associated Press.

Asian affairs must be settled by Asians

U.S. INTERFERENCE NOT WANTED

London, March 18.

The affairs of the Asian peoples must be settled by the Asian peoples themselves and not interfered with by American Imperialists, the Chinese Communist Foreign Minister said, according to a Peking despatch of the New China News Agency received in London.

In a statement replying to the policy speech made by Mr. Dean Acheson, the American Secretary of State, on March 15, Mr. Chou En-lai said, according to the despatch, "Mr. Acheson threatens that China must not concern herself with Asian affairs, on pain of violating not only every tradition and interest of the Chinese people, and the traditions and interests of their Asian neighbours, of the American people, and, indeed, of all free peoples, but also the United Nations Charter."

"I must tell Acheson on behalf of the biggest nation in Asia and of her people that these ridiculous threats are already anachronisms."

"Look at the map. 'The affairs of the Asian peoples must be settled by the Asian peoples themselves, and must never be interfered with by such American Imperialists as Acheson and company on the other side of the Pacific Ocean.'"

Mr. Chou En-lai charged that the United States, having acquired the Philippines and many strategic Pacific islands 50 years ago and obtained control of Japan and South Korea after World War II, is now also attempting to control China, Indonesia, Vietnam, Thailand, Burma and India.

The Chinese Minister continued, "The whole world knows that the United States Government, in its attempt to annex China, has supported Chiang Kai-shek in waging large-scale civil war, denying the Chinese people any freedom or any rights, any opportunity to live in independence and peace."

Meaning of aid

"The United States Government is supplying the Chiang Kai-shek brigands with planes to bomb the mainland of China. 'The United States is employing similar methods in support of the puppets Bai Dao, Syngman Rhee and Quirino in undermining the national independence movements of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam of South Korea and the Philippines.'"

Condemning American aid to Asia, Mr. Chou En-lai said, "From their personal experience, the Chinese people have realised what American so-called 'aid' means."

"It means death for millions, it means the loss of national freedom and rights. 'Since the Chinese rid themselves of American 'aid', things have gone well for China and she has really become independent. This is a useful lesson for the people of the whole world, especially for the people of the colonies, who have been selected or are being selected as objects of aggression by American Imperialism."

"A mosquito" "Acheson continued trying to disrupt the great alliance recently contracted between China and the Soviet Union. But anyone with a little commonsense knows that his mean fabrications and slanders are like a mosquito trying to shatter the fortress of world peace."

"Did Acheson not declare on January 12 that the Soviet Union was detaching the four great Northern areas of China? Why didn't he dare to mention it again in his March 15 speech? Only one prospect faces rumormongers—utter bankruptcy. 'Acheson threatens: The signing of an alliance of equality and friendship between the Chinese people and the Soviet Union—"

CANBERRA PLANNING A PURGE

Sydney, March 18.

The Australian Government is preparing the most drastic peacetime legislation in the nation's history to purge the country of Communists and Communist influence, according to the independent "Sunday Sun."

The "Sun's" Canberra correspondent, Oliver Hogue, said the Conservative Government will introduce a Subversive Activities Bill which will:

Declare the Communist Party illegal; close all Communist headquarters and forbid the publication of the party's newspapers and other publications; and outlaw Communist front organisations which have been formed to further the Party's cause.

Mr. Hogue said that Communists will be removed from holding any other positions in which they could influence public opinion to support Communism.

The Government has a secret list of Communist sympathisers, which, the "Sunday Sun" says, includes the names of prominent Sydney and Melbourne clergymen.

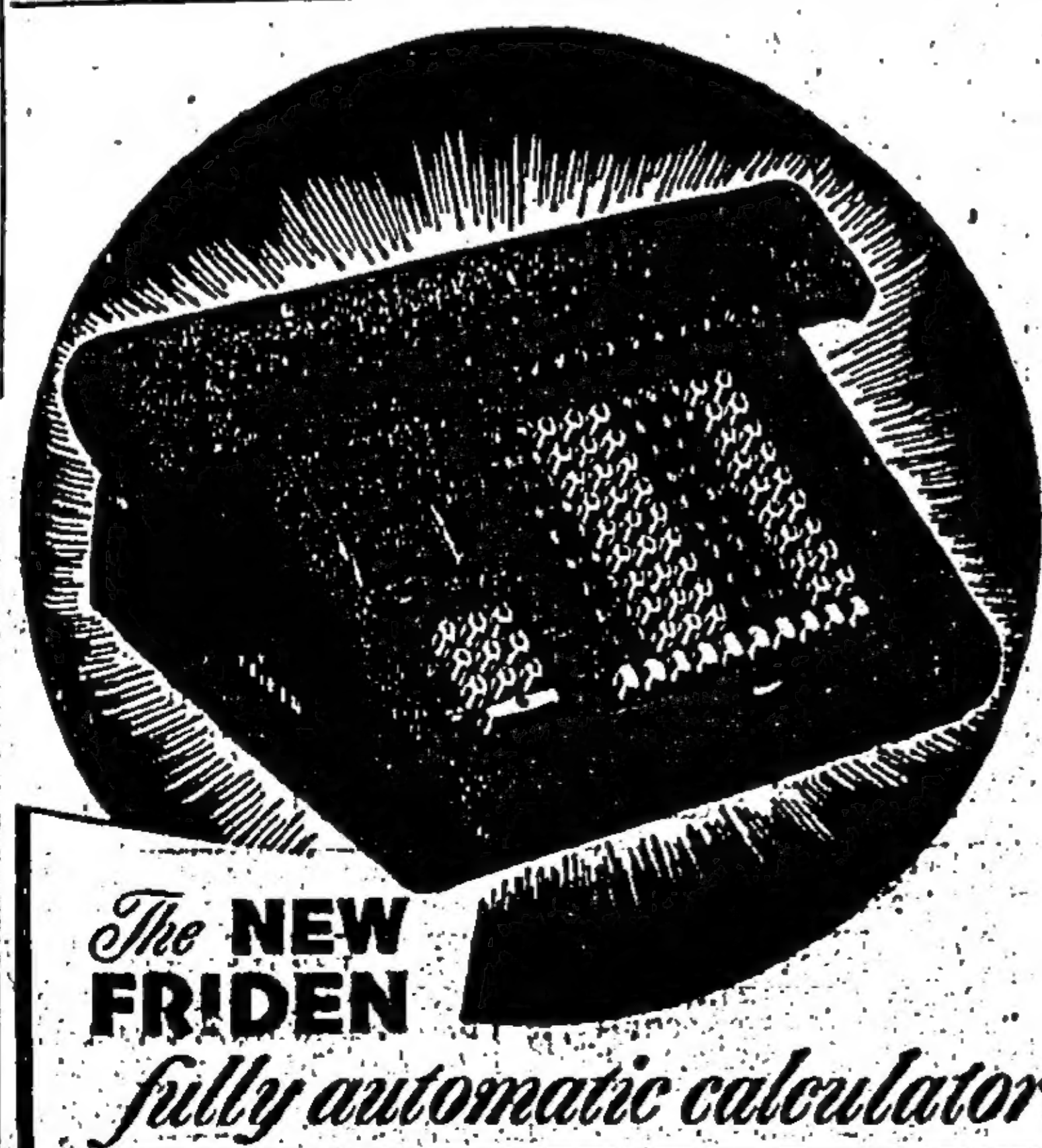
The opposition Labour Party opposes the ban on Communists and argues that it would only force them to go underground and increase their effectiveness.

But the "Sun" correspondent said a powerful Catholic section of the Labourites may defeat the efforts of the Labour Senate majority to reject the Government's bill.—United Press.

MAO MESSAGE TO GOTTEWOHL

London, March 18. Germany and China will fight side by side for peace, democracy, unity and independence under the leadership of the Soviet Union, Mr. Mao Tse-tung, leader of Communist China, stated tonight in a telegram to Herr Gottewohl, President and Premier of the East German Republic.—Reuter.

New York, March 18. Gales sweeping the Atlantic delayed inbound ships from Europe today, including the Queen Mary which is expected to be one day into New York.—Associated Press.



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ACHESON PLANS NEW POLICY IN FAR EAST

Washington, March 18.

Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, is reported today to be planning a move next week to enlist Congressional support for a new United States policy in the Far East. A United States Senator, who wishes to remain anonymous, predicts that Mr. Acheson and the roving Ambassador, Dr. Philip Jessup, who recently made a tour of the Far East, will confer with Congressional leaders within the week.

Meanwhile, Senator Tom Connally (Democrat, Texas) Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, told reporters he expects Mr. Acheson and Mr. Jessup to give Senators a report on the Far East situation.

Mr. Acheson has indicated that the United States may be ready to give limited economic and military aid to South East Asian countries who wish to join a voluntary programme aimed at halting the Far Eastern expansion of Communism.

Mr. Acheson has given no indication that the Administration is planning any military assistance for the Chinese Nationalist Government.

The Administration already has about \$100,000,000 which would be used in launching a Far East programme. This money was left over from China Aid funds voted last year by Congress.

A Bill is now pending before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to extend for another year after June President Truman's right to spend these funds. The Bill provided for their use in the "China Area" which could presumably include South East Asia.

Senator William Knowland and other Republican critics of what they termed the Administration "do nothing" policy in Asia hailed the California speech of Mr. Acheson as the beginning of a more positive stand against Communism in Asia.

Knowland Plan

Senator Knowland said, "We are now anxious to see what the State Department is going to do to back it up."

"He has urged that Australia, New Zealand, Korea, the Philippines and Japan be brought into close union. He suggested that this be done through an American statement that the United States would regard any Communist aggression against those countries as adversely affecting our own interest and of direct concern to the United States."

Senator Knowland said the discussion of the Far Eastern situation with the Foreign Ministers of Australia, New Zealand, Korea and the Philippines is long overdue. As another step in backing up the new policy he urged a further increase of the U. S. naval strength in the Pacific. He noted that some

CLEARING UP ON TRUCULENT

Shoerness, March 18. The work of clearing and patching the shattered hull of the submarine Truculent, beached on a sand bank near here, continued today.

An inquest on the few bodies found in the submarine will be opened on Monday afternoon at Gillingham, Kent.

The submarine sank in the Thames Estuary last January, with the loss of 64 lives, after a collision with the Swedish steamer Divina.—Reuter.

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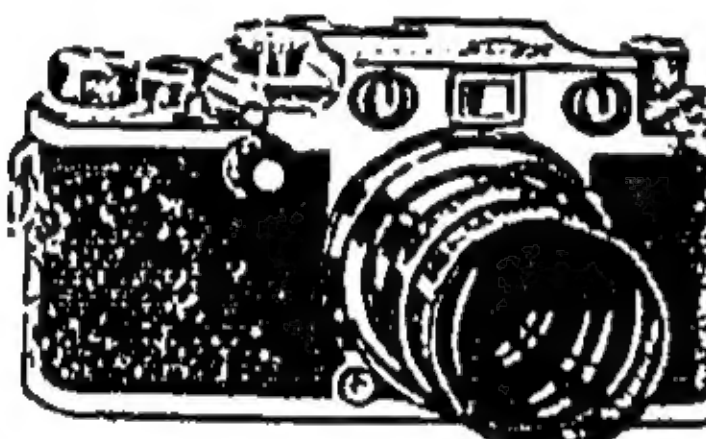
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5.20—"Variety Handicap."
5.25—"B.B.C. Midland Light Orchestra."
5.30—"Band Call."
5.35—"Close Down."

Rediffusion

UK asks for
volunteers

London, March 18.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Clutter Ede, appealed urgently today for Civil Defence volunteers to help meet the threat of atomic attack on Britain.

Only a disappointing 21,000 persons have joined the nation's new permanent peacetime Civil Defence Corps since recruiting began last November 15.

If atom bombs are ever dropped on the British Isles, Mr. Ede declared, a Corps of at least 1,000,000 will be needed for such duties as fighting fires and searching mountains of debris for dead and wounded.

In a speech prepared for a rally of the National Federation of Civil Defence Associations, Mr. Ede said every able-bodied citizen over military age should consider it a duty to enlist in the Corps.

"Such action is a needed insurance against a future national risk which experience shows it is wise to be insured against," Mr. Ede said.

"We cannot improvise civil defence services in an instance and at the last moment. It must be in existence and prepared in advance," Associated Press.

JESSUP TO REPLY
TO MCCARTHY

Washington, March 18.

The U.S. Ambassador-at-large, Dr. Philip Jessup, is preparing a major Administration counter-attack against Senator Joseph R. McCarthy's charges of Reds in the State Department.

Dr. Jessup, a senior policy adviser, will testify on Monday before a Senate Committee investigating the Wisconsin Republican Senator's contentions that Communist sympathizers infest the State Department. He named Dr. Jessup as one, and the latter flew here to reply.—Associated Press.

Berlin, March 18.

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REGENT TAKES A HAND IN
"THE LEOPOLD QUESTION"

Brussels, March 18.
Belgium's Regent began urgent consultations with political leaders of all parties today within a few hours of the Catholic-Liberal Coalition breaking up on differences about exiled King Leopold's return to the throne.

The Regent first received Robert Gillon, President of the Senate and Frans Van Cruwelaer, President of the Chamber.

Later, Baron Francis Van Der Straeten-Walllet, Chairman of the Christian Social (Catholic) Party, as leader of the country's strongest Party, was called in and conferred with the Regent, Prince Paul.

A complete delegation sent by the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

M. Max Buset, President of the Socialist Party, was also received by the Regent.

M. Julien Lahaut, President of the Belgian Communist Party, was also invited to the Palace.

According to a Palace spokesman, M. Lahaut was unable to attend at the Palace.

The fact that the Regent wanted to consult the Socialist and Communist Party Presidents, leaders of the Opposition in the Chamber, does not indicate that a National Coalition could be envisaged in the present state of affairs.

The only possible alternatives could be either an homogeneous Catholic administration or a

Catholic-Liberal Coalition Government.

An all-Catholic Government would be short-lived. It would run the gauntlet in almost any controversy, other than the "Leopold question".

Normally, after consultations with the Presidents of both Houses of Parliament, Party leaders and outgoing Cabinet Ministers, the Regent would ask the retiring Premier, M. Gaston Eyskens, to try and form a new government.

New elections?
If M. Eyskens declines or fails, the Regent is likely to entrust M. Paul Van Zeeland, Catholic Foreign Minister in the outgoing Government, with the mission.

In the event of failure to form another Catholic-Liberal coalition, Premier Eyskens will probably propose the dissolution of Parliament and a snap election.

If a Government is formed, the first item on the Parliamentary agenda will be a joint session of the two Houses to repeal the Regency law and bring the King back.

A leading member of the Permanent Committee of the French-speaking Walloon Congress said tonight, "If the King resumed his constitutional powers it would seriously shake the feeling of loyalty that Walloons have towards the Belgian State."

The spokesman added that during a secret session today one member of the Congress said, "Should the Catholic Party start any unlawful acts as far as the Royal question is concerned, I, at the head of a big administration, will willingly put myself under a provisional government of Walonia."

This declaration, the spokesman added, was loudly applauded.

From now on the Permanent Committee of the Walloon Congress is to sit in permanent session to be ready to deal with further developments.—Reuters.

BORDER INCIDENT

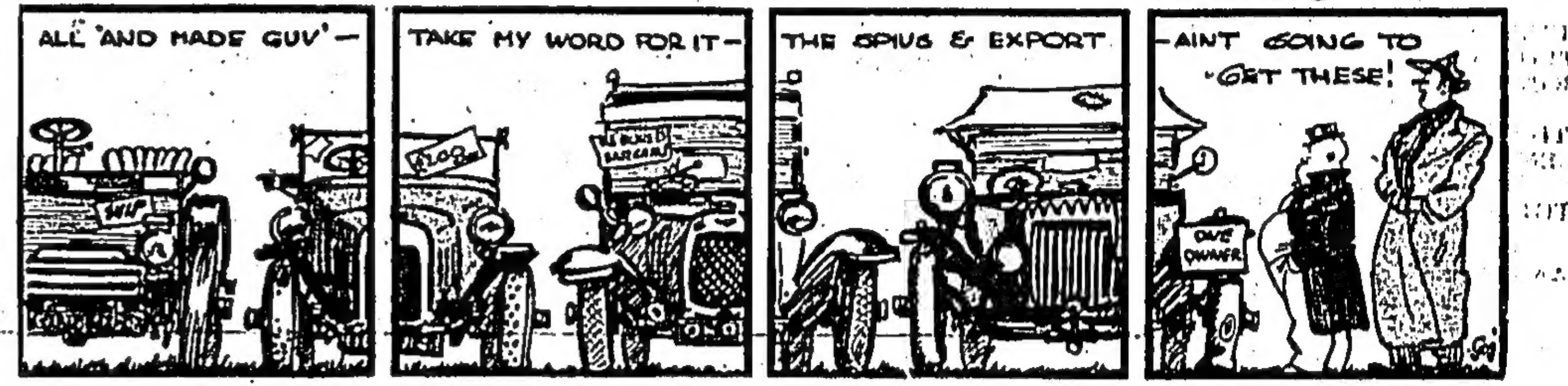
Calcutta, March 18.

At least three tribesmen were killed and several injured when Pakistan police and Indian Border Police fired on fleeing groups of Santals (hill tribes) crossing into India near Patnaila, 300 miles from here yesterday.

Reports received in official quarters here said the Pakistan guards, who cordoned off the border to prevent the flight of refugees, fired as the Hindu tribesmen, numbering about 5,000, attempted to filter through to India.

Tribesmen who got across brought one dead with them, leaving two killed and many injured behind.—Reuters.

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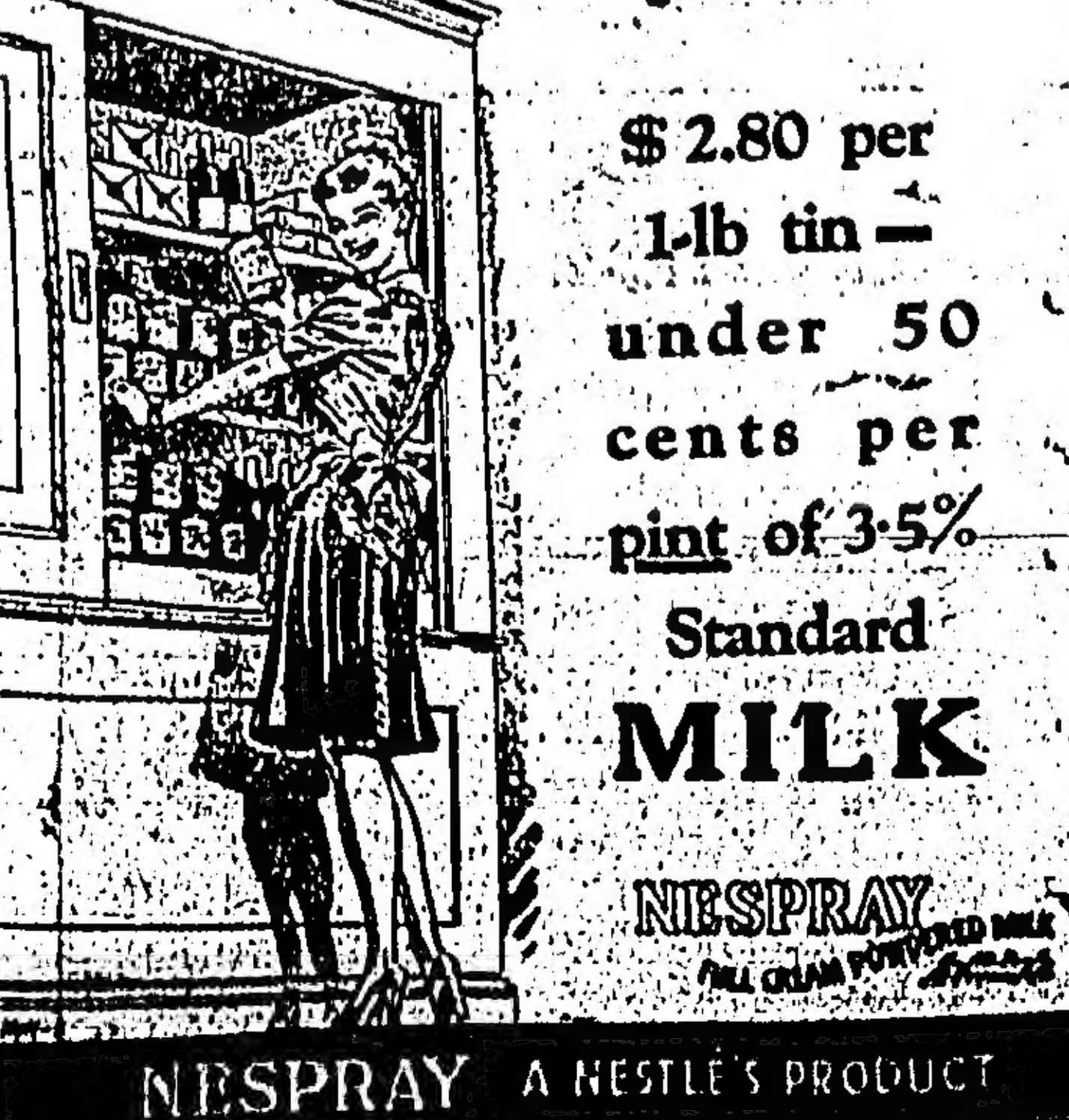
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New York Stock Exchange

New York, March 13.

Car stocks took the fancy of buyers half way through today's market. Chrysler and Studebaker were singled out for attention, with General Motors trailing in favour. All advanced 1/2 to one point. The balance of the market showed mild rising tendencies. Fractional gains outnumbered small losses by a moderate margin. Transfers 610,000 shares.

Gainers included U.S. Steel, Bethlehem Steel, Boeing, Kennecott Copper, Dupont, Barnsdall Oil, Emerson Radio, Zenith, Algonquin and Armour.

Losers included International Harvester, Douglas Aircraft, Dow Chemical, General Electric and U.S. Gypsum.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 75.13; 20 Industrials 208.09; 15 Rails 55.70; 10 Utilities 43.69.

Closing quotations: Adams Express 22 1/4, Alaska Juneau 3, American Can 11 1/4, Smeltling 54, Telephone 151 1/2, Tolson 72 1/4, Waterworks 10 1/4, Anaconda Copper 28 1/4, Aviation Corp. 7, Baldwin Locomotive 11 1/4, Barnsdall 50 1/4, Bendix Aviation 42 1/4, Bethlehem Steel 37 1/4, Boeing Aircraft 24, Borden Co. 50 1/4, Canadian Pacific 14 1/4, J. I. Case 44 1/4, Chrysler 60 1/4, Colgate 40 1/4, Commercial Soviet 17 1/4, Corn Products 70, Du Pont 64 1/4, Eustman Kodak 46 1/4, General Electric 40 1/4, Motors 77 1/4, Goodrich 83, Goodyear 50 1/4, Homestake Mining 45, International Harvester 26 1/4, International Paper 37 1/4, Tel. & Tel 11 1/4, Johns Manville 49 1/4, Kennecott Copper 52 1/4, Montgomery Ward 56 1/4, National Distillers 23 1/4, Lead 39 1/4, New York Central 13 1/4, Packard Motors 3 1/4, Pan American Airways 10, Pennsylvania RR 17 1/4, Radio Corp. 14 1/4, Remington Rand 14 1/4, Republic Steel 26 1/4, Reynolds Tobacco 39 1/4, Schenley 31 1/4, Sears Roebuck 44, Socony Vacuum 17 1/4, Southern Pacific 52 1/4, Standard Brands 22 1/4, Oil of Calif. 64 1/4, Oil of N. J. 69, Studebaker 30 1/4, Union Bag 29 1/4, Carbide 43 1/4.

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Investment in Rhodesia

London, March 18.
Sir Godfrey Huggins, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, arrived here by air today for financial, political and transport discussions with the British Government.

Sir Godfrey will discuss with the British Government the encouragement of investment capital for Southern Rhodesia.

The Prime Minister will continue discussions, begun during his last visit, on the production of oil from coal, in which he believes Rhodesia could establish a big industry.

Sir Godfrey will leave for Lisbon on Wednesday to discuss with the Portuguese Government the situation at the port of Beira, Portuguese East Africa, on which he will also have talks in London. He is making the journey himself to cut short the business, he said.

"The official machinery is so cumbersome. We must get the confidence of the Portuguese despite the action of the shipping lines—and get on with development for immediate needs."

Sir Nigel Renald, British Ambassador in Lisbon, arrived in London two days ago for consultations with the Foreign Office on the forthcoming talks with Portugal on Beira.

Until the beginning of last year, Britain had concessions for the port of Beira and the railway leading to it from North and South Rhodesia and Nyasaland, for which territories the port is the best sea outlet.

Discussions are planned to open in Lisbon on March 23.—Reuter.

ICI DISMISSALS

Swansea, March 19.

Three hundred employees of an Imperial Chemical Industries factory here are to be dismissed because a long standing sheet metal export trade to India has ended.

Production of copper and yellow metal sheets has for many years been exported to India in competition with Germany and Japan.

Sheet manufacturing in India has extended so largely that the country now looks after its own needs.—Reuter.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m.v. "MANGARELLA"

Having arrived Hong Kong consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods have been landed and placed at their risk and expense into the godowns of the China Provisional L. & M. Ltd. where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

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No fire insurance will be effected.

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Hong Kong, March 14, 1950.

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m.v. "BENVENUE"

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Hong Kong, March 18, 1950.

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HONG KONG WATERFRONT

BY OUR HARBOUR REPORTER

In my log

Wet, no more blockade-running news?

Let's first tell this simple little story... it's about a novice hunter on his maiden African safari.

"Look at that stump ahead. What's that?" he asked his Masai guide.

"Gosh, bwana. He's hiding himself from us."

But what has this got to do with our waterfront business, some one is sure to chip in, and that's just what we're coming to.

Because only recently something has developed on our Beat which savours of such self-delusion.

Authority has clamped down on news regarding the running of the Nationalist blockade. General information about the movement of blockade runners is being withheld from the public.

It means the layman will have to contend with scraps of information, which experience has shown is generally obtainable under great unnecessary difficulty.

Reason for this unprecedented action is that publication of news about this modern China Sea saga is detrimental to the blockade-runners in that it helps beligerent war craft enforcing the blockade.

Can you identify them? To begin with, it is no secret that a great number of Hong Kong-based coasters have already labelled themselves permanent blockade runners—running on regular schedules to Communist ports.

Several more candid ones, however, have openly notified their respective destinations. (Hats off to them! Nothing is more admirable than a show of guts.)

Now and then, of course, it is no surprise to hear of—once—two of the unfortunate limping into port with grim evidence of the inevitable consequences—straining, bombing or shelling by Nationalist war craft.

But then, there have been numerous successful trips without incident in spite of the dire consequences—straining, bombing or shelling by Nationalist war craft.

One naturally asks: Then why this sudden black-out of blockade-running news? Volumes have already been written.

(Ours guess? Perhaps, it's just some allegory!)

Who's who at the helm... Since it is deemed "necessary" (we quote because the issue is rather debatable) that the veil of officialdom should cover this 20th century "argosy" let's acquaint ourselves a little with some of the men who have been and still are engaged in this high seas game of hide-and-seek.

A popular figure is 63-year-old James Leitch, master of the ss. Sing Hing, who is believed to be the oldest skipper-at-the-helm of a blockade runner.

Hailing from the island of Arran, the rocky, beleaguered Scotsman is far from being what one would generally expect him to be—the typical swashbuckling seadog who audaciously braves bombs and bullets in running the blockade.

Mr. Leitch is a quiet, genial and lovable skipper, whose sense of humour has gained him widespread popularity with his crew. He drinks beer and rolls his own cigarettes. Skipper Leitch spends most of his time in port aboard his gallant craft—target of belligerent gunfire on several occasions.

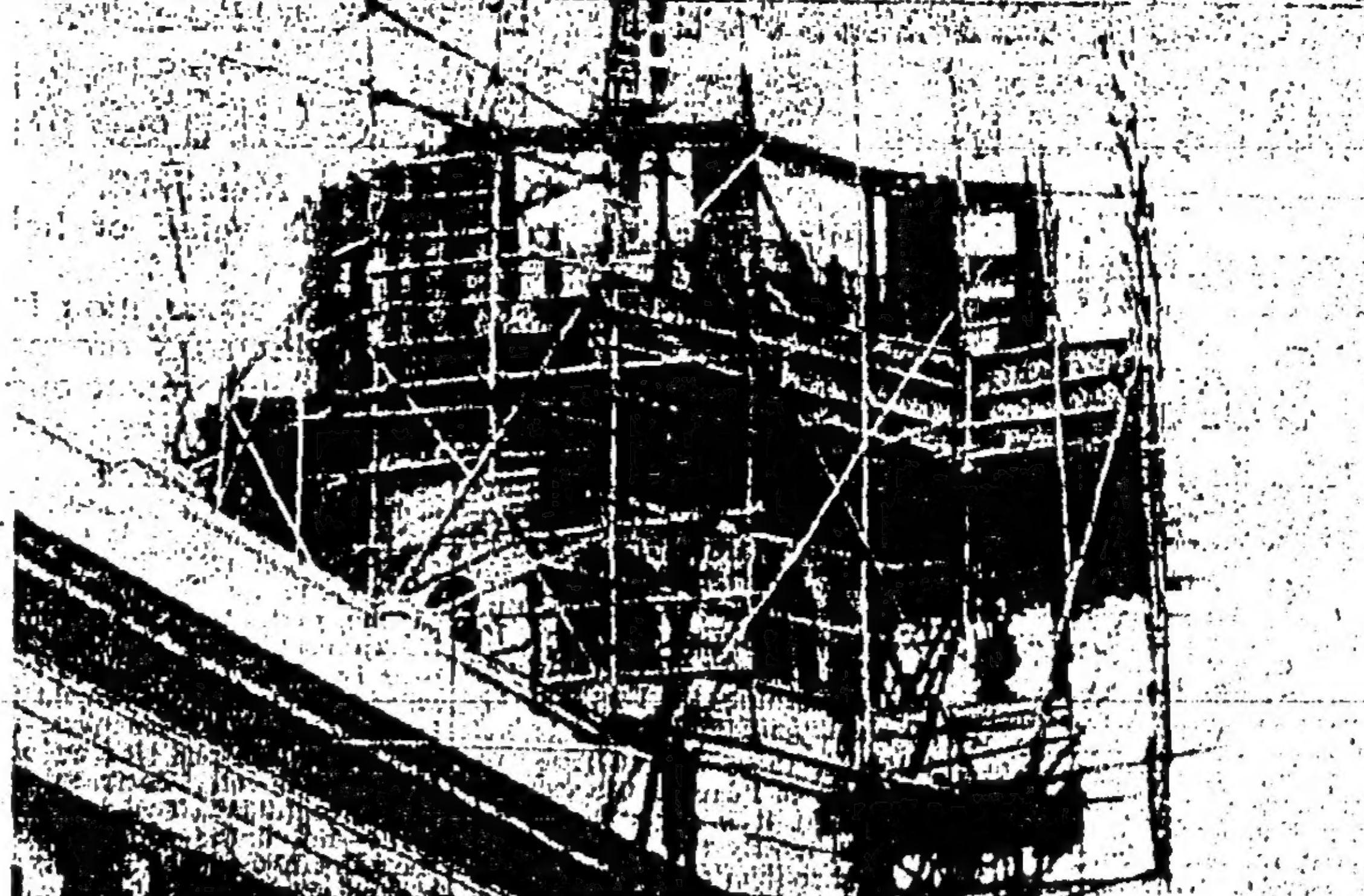
Thomas McCabe (ss. Leong Bee) Outwardly, 40-year-old Thomas McCabe of Campbelltown, Scotland, Irish master of the ss. Leong Bee, is a schoolboy's vision of a typical tough buccaner of the Seven Seas—heavily bearded with bushy moustache and martinet-looking.

But Skipper McCabe is just an ordinary family man who spends most of his time in port with his wife and daughter at home.

Running the Nationalist blockade is child's play to the robust veteran of the China Coast. His already renowned maxim "It's all in the return after heavy straining by P-51's on the high seas" provides an insight into the inner sanctum of those silent but determined minds at the helm of the blockade-running fleet.

Soft-spoken, round and scholarly-looking Skipper T. A. Lupton of Raynors Lane, Middlesex, of the tanker Louise Moller, who came into the limelight during the initial stages of the blockade running when he dashed past a hostile destroyer ignoring warnings to stop going upstream into Shanghai. To quote an eye-witness, "It was a most thrilling spectacle of sheer guts."

And 54-year-old Greek skipper G. Patriarhoros, of the ss. Armathia, who was detained for more than three weeks for attempting to call at Shanghai. The six-foot, grey-haired Athenian mariner successfully "died" his captors by cabling his circumstances before they seized his wireless equipment. Skipper Patriarhoros, like many of his colleagues was determined to try again on his return if ordered to by his principals.



When this new look-out post of the Marine Office comes into operation next month, ship movements in Victoria Harbour will come under direct "three-point" control by all the three look-out posts in port. The Signal Tower (below) will serve as the office while telegraphists and watchmen keep vigilance in the post above. ("China Mail" Photo).

New look-out for Victoria harbour

Beginning next month, ship movements in Victoria Harbour will be under direct "three-point" control by the look-out posts of the Marine Department.

The Signal Tower, Blackhead Station and the Green Island Station will be linked by direct "blink system" communication when the new look-out post above the Marine Office comes into operation early in April.

Now nearing completion, the Marine Office look-out post erected above the present Signal Tower will be able to cover completely the areas stretching from the Star Ferry lane to the Western Channel area bounded by Green Island and Stonecutters Island.

Communication between these three look-out posts covering Victoria Harbour is by ordinary blink lamps and land telephone. The Signal Tower, acting as the main unit, maintains contact on a 24-hour schedule by radio telephony with Waglan Island—the "eye" of the port of Hong Kong.

Waglan Island, some 12 miles East of the harbour proper, heralds the approach of any ocean-going vessel calling here. The information is relayed in the authorities concerned, including the agent, storekeepers, and Police.

The new look-out post will have two telegraphists and watchmen on daylight duty. The present Signal Tower will serve as office.

The station on Green Island was recently manned. It keeps vigilance on vessels coming in from the river ports.

Blackhead Station, located on Blackhead Point, has a panoramic view of Kowloon and Hung Hom Bays. When a ship passes through Lyman Pass—entrance to Victoria Harbour—this is im-

Japanese ship with radar

The first Japanese merchant ship to be fitted with radar has been launched in Tokyo Bay. She is the 14,500-ton tanker Tankakuni Maru—queen of Japan's post-war tanker fleet.

This followed the recent lifting of the ban imposed by the U.S. authorities on the commercial use of radar by Japanese organisations.

The Tankakuni Maru, the largest vessel to be constructed by the Japanese since the war, will play on the Persian Gulf oil run.

She was launched early this month.

mediately "blinked" or telephoned to the Signal Tower, which does the necessary routine relay.

A change of mooring or berth while the ship is still in port is also recorded. The Signal Tower operates as the receiving centre as well as a look-out post.

General information pertaining to ship or crew movements is exchanged in code through the Signal Tower's "blink system." A small fee is charged for this service, open to the public at any hour of the day.

Former Sai On crew in labour dispute

Some 50 of the former crew of the fire-gutted river steamer Sai On—now undergoing reconversion at Ngau Chi Wan and due to resume her Hong Kong-Macao service in April—are claiming their former posts.

The new owners, Tai Yip Company, it was reported, have refused the application for re-employment on the steamer, which will be re-named Tak Shing when she begins operation.

Meanwhile, the Chinese Seamen's Union is arbitrating on behalf of the dissident seamen. An Executive Committee member of the CSU's Macao Office arrived in Hong Kong over the week-end to help smooth the issue.

Hitherto, negotiations by the Hong Kong CSU have failed to bring favourable results, a senior official of the labour organisation declared.

The matter will be pursued further this week, he asserted.

The seamen, belonging to the firemen and bosun sections, claimed that they had lost most of their personal belongings when the Sai On caught fire at her berth in mid-1947 when more than 100 lives were lost. They alleged that their applications for their former posts on board were ignored by the new owners, whom they believed to be the same principals who owned the Sai On, the CSU official disclosed.

The original owners, Tung On Company, were liquidated after the accident.

How's your harbour I.Q.?

Do you know where the above picture was taken? Sure you do! Don't be puzzled—remember where, in those torrid summer months, hundreds generally look for relief. Now, you've got it. Turn the page round and see whether you're right.

(Only those signposts and maps in the picture are correct.)

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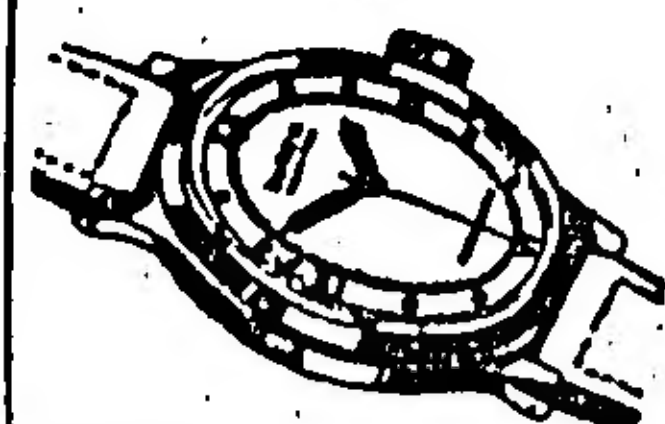
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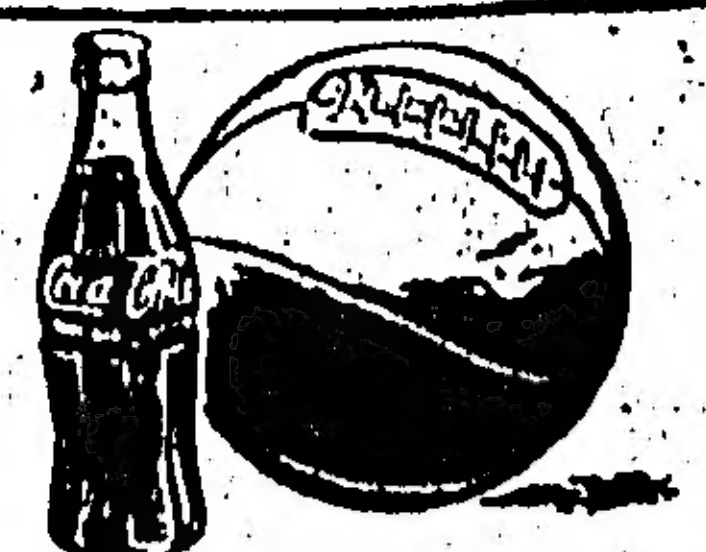


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HONG KONG, MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1950.

Sports Pause



Soccer:

Royal Air Force unlucky to lose to Kowloon Motor Bus

Schoolboys beat Club XI 2-0

The Schoolboys Inter-port football team selected to visit Manila played a friendly match against selected Hong Kong Club XI at Happy Valley yesterday and won by two goals to nil.

The schoolboys led by one goal at the interval.

The school boys made several changes in their line-up in the second half.

The combination of the schoolboys did not come up to expectations. Ko Po-keung proved to be a good leader in attack.

Lee Cheuk-sang, inside-left, was a hardworker and scored the first goal for his team with a brilliant drive from just outside the penalty area.

Chui Ping-leung, who played in the second half for the schoolboys, scored the second goal just before the end with a terrific drive.

The Club fielded Mullen, Roberts, Hardwick, Brown and Widger of their first team, Mullen was the best of his side.

Another match is being arranged for Sunday next, when it is hoped to pit the schoolboys against a team from Kit Chee.

Friendly lawn bowls game at KBGC

A friendly lawn bowls game between the Post-war bowlers and Pre-war bowlers played at the Kowloon Bowling Green yesterday resulted in a victory for the Post-war bowlers by nine shots the final score being 84-75.

Special prizes were presented to L. Sykes and his men for registering the biggest win.

Score:

Postwar	Prewar
K. Johnston	D. Collyer
T. Dewhurst	J. Russell
W. Conway	J. Meyer
F. Plunge	L. Collyer
(Skip)	(Skip)
P. Hughes	18 W. Simpson
A. Hutton	V. Chittenden
J. Crighton	C. Downman
(Skip)	(Skip)
B. Collyer	25 A. Bailey
A. Dodd	F.C. Clemon
R.H. Browne	E. Greenwood
(Skip)	(Skip)
W. Frost	27 W. Simpson
C. Harris	W. Grant
T. Wren	E. Atkins
A.R. Warren	14 L. Sykes
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	84
	75

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS

FOURTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 25th March, 1950.

There are ten races, the First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (10 Races-\$20.00) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Hongkong Derby (over 250,000 tickets disposed of to date) to be run at the Easter Race Meeting in April, 1950, which may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

There will be no Special Sweep on the last Race.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

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BY ORDER,

S. A. BLAIR,

Secretary.

Kowloon Motor Bus were definitely fortunate to take both points in their First Division League soccer match against Royal Air Force at Boundary Street yesterday, only a last minute goal by Lee Chun-fat giving them victory. The Airmen, playing like men inspired, gave a rousing display throughout and were actually leading the busmen 2-1 at the interval.

The eagerly awaited return match between Kit Chee and South China, which was played at Happy Valley, proved to be a great disappointment, as the South China lads failed miserably against their more experienced and polished opponents and had to admit defeat by four clear goals.

FIRST DIVISION

KMB 3—RAF 2

A dramatic goal by Lee Chun-fat two minutes from time gave Kowloon Motor Bus a 3-2 win over the Royal Air Force in a First Division soccer match played at Boundary Street yesterday.

Although beaten, RAF gave a rousing display. In the first half in particular they played very clever football and literally swept the busmen off their feet.

Much against the run of play, Chin-Chi-fai gave the busmen the lead after 10 minutes, following a maul in front of the RAF's goal.

In the next minute, Cross made a grand run down the centre of the field and sent in a good shot which was cleverly handled by Tam Kwan-kon, KMB goalie.

RAF kept on attacking and the equaliser came when Ogilvie scored from close range.

Just before the interval Studd gave the Airmen a 2-1 lead.

The busmen attacked furiously after the interval and were rewarded after five minutes when Lee Chun-fat equalised with a neat ground shot.

Some bright football was seen at this stage, with each side attacking in turn.

During the last five minutes, the busmen kept on pegging away at the RAF citadel and with two minutes left for play, Lee Chun-fat scored the deciding goal.

KMB: Tam Kwan-kon, Lee Ping-nam, Tam Chun-fai, Tang Sum, Hung Hing-yuk, Fung Kwan-sing, Tsang Ming-chuen, Chin Chi-fai, Lee Chun-fat, Chow Man-chi and Lee Tai-fai.

RAF: Wood, France, Townsley, Dutcher, Noakes, Rahman, Haggerty, Ogilvie, Studd, Cross and Kirtley.

Kit Chee 4—S. China 0

Kit Chee, who beat South China on Wednesday last by four goals to one in a First Division League soccer match, again proved their superiority, when they emerged easy winners over the Caroline Hill team by four clear goals.

Cheung Shu-ling of Kit Chee was badly injured in the head 10 minutes from the kick-off and had to be carried off the field. He was later taken to hospital, where his injury necessitated several stitches.

Although they played with 10 men for the remainder of the game, Kit Chee completely outplayed and out-manoeuvred South China.

South China put up a poor show and with the exception of Lee Yuk-tuk, the rest of the forward line did not impress.

Kit Chee played their usual methodical game and delighted the spectators with their fine co-ordination, neat passing and clever shooting.

Opens scoring

With the game five minutes old, Kit Chee opened the scoring through Yu Cheuk-yin. Slipping through the defence on a pass from Cheung Kam-hoi, Yu Cheuk-yin sent in a terrific shot.

Choi Kin-chung dived and grabbed the ball but could not hold it and it slipped through his hands into the net.

Within two minutes, Kit Chee were up another goal following a misunderstanding between Fok Yiu-wah and the goalkeeper.

Choi Kin-chung dived and grabbed the ball but could not hold it and it slipped through his hands into the net.

Although playing one man short after Cheung Shu-ling was injured, Kit Chee continued to dominate the exchanges and South China were hard pressed for long periods.

Kit Chee were awarded a penalty after Yu Cheuk-yin was fouled inside the area and Chu Wing-keung, taking the spot kick, made no mistake.

Weak raids

South China were kept on the defensive and it came as no surprise when Kit Chee netted their fourth goal just before the interval through Yu Cheuk-yin.

After the interval, Ko Po-keung moved into the forward line and for a while South China forced the play, but were soon on the defence again.

Kit Chee, with the game safe in the bag, slackened off considerably and were content to toy with their opponents, who had all the fight knocked out of them and continued to play a defensive game until the final whistle brought them respite.

Kit Chee: Yu Yiu-tak, Hui Yung-sang, Cheung Shu-ling, Lee Ping-chiu, Ng Kel-chung, Tsai Kam-hung, Hong Ying-lan, Chu Wing-keung, Cheung Kam-hoi, Yue Cheuk-yin and Lau Chung-sang.

South China: Choi Kin-chung, Fok Yiu-wah, Leung Sheng-tak, Shik Kam-hung, Ko Po-keung, Cheung Fook-jun, Lau Sheng, Tong Sheng, Lee Yuk-tak, Chow Kit, Chu Wing-wah.

Results at a glance

First Division	2
KMB	3
Kit Chee	4
Second Division	3
Taihook	1
Yard Police	2
Police	2

EXHIBITION BASEBALL

New York, March 18.

Exhibition baseball scores:

D. National 10 P. American 15

New York.

American 15 B. American 9

St. Louis.

American 9 N.Y. National 8

Boston National-Philadelphia.

National game postponed because of rain.

P. National 2 C. National 8

L. A. P. C. 1 C. American 2

C. American 7 O. P. C. L. 4

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Badminton:

Semi-finals get under way this evening

(By "ARGONAUT")

All roads in the local badminton world lead to Club do Recreio this evening as the first five semi-finals of the Colony Championships got under way.

Each event is a star-attraction in itself and the fact that practically all the games are evenly matched should draw a capacity crowd to the night's session.

Curtain-raiser will be the Junior Men's Singles game between St. Theresa's J. A. Soares and Homefolks' M. H. Liang.

Both are reputed all-round sportsmen endowed with limitless stamina.

Liang, however, who came from the Malayan State of Perak, which has produced some of Malaya's best players, has played in good company at home.

His greater experience in the Singles game and his terrific smashes should give him the decision.

The Junior Mixed Doubles clash between W. C. Chung and his wife and Recreio's C. M. Quinn and Yolly Franco promises to be the most exciting of the evening.

The Mr. and Mrs. combination are now playing at their peak form. Quinn, however, has not been producing even his usual form in his past few matches.

Slight advantage

Both he and his partner will have the advantage of playing on a home-court tonight, but in spite of this, I feel the Chungs hold a slight advantage, unless Quinn comes off with one of his rare displays.

If she could overcome her initial nervousness and awe of her opponent's reputation, Gloria should be able to give a good account of herself, if not win.

P. H. Wong and Helen Kwong of Chinese YMCA take on their clubmate R. Young and Recreio's Margaret Xavier in the Senior Mixed Doubles attraction.

Evenly matched

Here again both pairs are evenly matched with the all-v combination enjoying a slight superiority through Wong's more scientific Mixed Doubles play.

A Senior Men's Singles tussle between Chinese Y's R. Tay and M. T. Yeow concludes the evening's fare.

Yeow, who was last year's Colony Junior champion gave an impressive display last week when he upset Bill Funk in three hard-fought sets.

On that night's performance, Yeow could be ranked as one of the best defensive Singles players in the Colony, pecked with stamina and capable of retrieving well-nigh impossible shots.

Although Tay is favoured to win, a gruelling time is in store for him.

Tonight's games

At Club do Recreio

7.30 p.m. Junior Men's Singles: J. M. Soares (St. Theresa) v M. H. Liang (Homefolks).

8.00 p.m. Junior Mixed Doubles: W. C. Chung and Mrs. Chung (Chinese YMCA) v C. M. Quinn and Y. Franco (Recreio).

8.30 p.m. Ladies' Singles: Miss G. Silva (Recreio) v Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio).

9.00 p.m. Senior Mixed Doubles: P. H. Wong and H. Kwong (Chinese YMCA) v R. Young (Chinese Y) and Miss J. Xavier (Rec.).

9.30 p.m. Senior Men's Singles: Robert Tay (Chinese YMCA) v M. T. Yeow (University).

Softball:

Braves score first win in play-off series at expense of Jaguars

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Frank Cleary's Americans battled their way into the final play-offs yesterday as they shaded U.S. Navy 9-7, while Braves notched their first win of the series at the expense of Jaguars 5-2.

In the Ladies Junior loop, Squaws let victory slip through their fingers as St. Teresa's staged a last inning rally to snatch a 10-7 verdict. White Fangs easily accounted for Clovers 19-8.

In the Hong loop, Caltex unleashed a hitting barrage to overwhelm Union Insurance 18-1, while Civil Service just managed to eke out a 3-1 triumph over San Miguel.

The Midlet League provided several top-sided scores, with B. Hawks tallying 25 times in three innings for the black Arrows to concede the game.

Delaware's massed Blue Birds 26-3 in a five inning contest highlighted by Gary Lucido's brilliant 12-strikeout hurling for the brief contest. Saints beat Lions 11-3 while Aces accounted for Falcons 6-4.

Americans 9—U.S. Navy 7

The Americans blasted out four bunched up hits in the initial stanza for a 7-run over the Toledo outfit, and from then never looked back.

Hurler Gamby who started out on the mound for the gohs failed to find his shore legs and was banished in favour of Bracken after the damaging first frame.

The Navy outfit staged a rally in the second when an outbreak of American errors enabled them to dent the robbers five times and after scoring two more runs in the third on a couple of safe hits, they were blanked for the rest of the frames.

Americans added one more in the fourth and fifth to clinch the play-off berth.

Clearymen Fielden, palled the apple for two in three, while Haggerty belted out the only extra-base clutch with a two-bagger.

Winning pitcher Schulte, who went the whole game, fanned one and walked three, while losing pitcher Gamby walked two in the first chapter and roller mounds.

Braves 5—Jaguars 2

All the runs in this fast moving game were scored in the first inning, after which both sides bared down to play outright ball, thrilling the crowd of spectators who turned out to witness the grudge tussle.

White Fangs 19—Clovers 8

The Fangs put on their hitting suits and went to town against Glover hurler Tania Tension as they belted a total of 14 hits to chalk up a convincing 19-8 triumph.

St. Teresa's 10—Squaws 7

St. Teresa's practically wrapped up the Junior Loop pennant as they snatched a last inning decision from Squaws to win 10-7.

Their only obstacle will be the Fangs next week, and even then a loss will still assure them of a play-off.

Caltex 18—Union 2

Out of a total of 10 hits blasted out by Caltex against hapless L. N. Souza of Union, Vosa contributed for some mighty fancy hitting when he hit safely in every one of five times, which included two home runs, two three runs hits and a two-bagger.

Eight Union men withdrew via the strike-out route as Behniga

Cricket:

"Scorpions" further enhance Championship prospects

The Hong Kong Cricket Club "Scorpions" further enhanced their Championship prospects yesterday when they beat the Hong Kong University by six wickets in a First Division League cricket game at Pokfulam.

Hero of the day was, without doubt, R. S. Cull of the "Scorpions" who paved the way for victory by dismissing four of the University batsmen for 14 runs in four overs.

The friendly game between HKCC "Occasionals" and 28th Brigade which was played at Chater Road and which was featured by high scoring by both sides, ended in a win for the Brigade by one wicket.

FIRST DIVISION

HKU—HKCC "Scorpions"

The Hong Kong Cricket Club "Scorpions" continued in winning vein yesterday when they beat the Hong Kong University at Pokfulam by six wickets in a First Division League game.

Cull, "Scorpions" relief pace bowler, turned in his best performance of the league season to take four wickets for 14 runs, thereby assisting greatly in the demoralising of the undergraduates' batsmen.

The "Scorpions" after dismissing the University for 79 runs, proceeded in leisurely fashion to knock up the necessary runs for victory, losing four wickets in the process.

Tony Weller was having a troublesome afternoon and Alec Pearce showed foresight when he sent in Cull with the ball after Weller had had seven fruitless overs.

With the first ball of his first over, Cull captured his first wicket. His fourth delivery in the same over brought about the dismissal of Peh, who was caught by Pearce. With Lean and K.C. Koh as his other two victims, Cull ended up with the enviable average of four for 14 in four overs.

The indecisive Frank Howarth took six wickets for 29 runs. Peh's 24 runs and Chelliah knock-out of 20 prevented an otherwise total collapse on the part of the undergraduates.

T. H. Lean was the only University bowler to enjoy any success with the ball. He took three wickets for 27.

HKU

T. Lo, b Howarth 0
S.M. Teh, lbw Howarth 0
C.L. Huang, c O'Driscoll, b Howarth 4
L.T. Rido, lbw Cull 0
B.K. Peh, c Pearce, b Cull 21
D. Chelliah, b Howarth 20
D.G. Hanson, lbw Howarth 9
S.A. Vanar, lbw Howarth 1
J.C. Koh, c Weller, b Cull 0
T.H. Lean, b Cull 0
J. Peter, not out 13
Extras 13

Total 79

Bowling Analysis

Howarth 12 2 20 0
Weller 7 1 23 0
Cull 4 0 14 4

HKCC "Scorpions"

L.F. Stokes, b Lean 14
O.J. Kerr, run out 25
J.A. Weller, b Lean 10
F.A. Borthwick, not out 8
H. Owen-Hughes, b Lean 8
T.A. Pearce, not out 2
Extras 2

Total (for four wks.) 80

H.M. Newton, R.S. Cull, J.P. O'Driscoll, A.P. Weir and F. Howarth did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

Teh 7 1 33 0
Lean 12 3 27 3
Peh 6 1 18 0

FRIENDLIES

HKCC "Occasionals"—28th Brigade

In a high-scoring friendly cricket game at Chater Road yesterday, the "Occasionals" were beaten by the Brigade by one wicket.

and Azavedo shared pitching duties.

Every Lone Star player made at least one hit, while Union could only reply with five scattered singles, of which Umbil Moss and Eddie Remedios were credited with two each.

Results of a glance

MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE

Americans 9 U.S. Navy 7
Braves 5 Jaguars 2

MEN'S JUNIOR LEAGUE

LADIES JUNIOR LEAGUE

White Fangs 19 Clovers 8
St. Teresa 10 Squaws 7

INTER-HONG LEAGUE

Caltex 18 Union 2
Civil Service 3 San Miguel 1
Sianvac 18 Shell 1
Gibbs 18 Mercantile 4

MIDLET LEAGUE

Aces 0 Falcons 4
Saints 11 Lions 3
Delaware 20 Bluebirds 9
Blackhawk 10 Black A. 1
Mahawia 10 Dodgers 1

SEVEN HKDF HOCKEY PLAYERS RETURN

Seven players of the Hong Kong Defence Force Inter-unit Hockey Team returned from Singapore by British Overseas Airways yesterday.

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